

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:) Art Unit:
RICARD)
) Washington, D.C.
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U.S. App. No.:)
 (Not Yet Assigned))
) October 22, 2001
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For: PROCESS FOR PREVENTING...) Docket No.: RICARD5

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Contemporaneous with the filing of this case and prior to calculation of the filing fee, kindly amend as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please rewrite claim 4 in amended form as follows:

4. (Amended) The process as claimed in claim 1, wherein the antifraud action consists moreover in making an item of information appear on a ticket.

Please rewrite claim 10 in amended form as follows:

10. (Amended) The process as claimed in claim 8, wherein the signaling takes place by display on the dial (6) of the taximeter, or the emission of an alarm signal.

Please rewrite claim 11 in amended form as follows:

11. (Amended) The process as claimed in claim 9, wherein the signaling of the disconnection takes place alternately with the displaying of the total for the trip.

REMARKS

The above amendments to the claims are being made in order to eliminate any properly multiply dependent claims, for the purpose of reducing the filing fee. Please enter this amendment prior to calculation of the filing fee in this case.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the specification and claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "Version with
Markings to Show Changes Made."

Favorable consideration and allowance are earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,
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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

Claim 4 has been amended as follows:

4. (Amended) The process as claimed in claim 1-~~or~~-3,
wherein the antifraud action consists moreover in making an
item of information appear on a ticket.

10. (Amended) The process as claimed in claim 8-~~or~~
9, wherein the signaling takes place by display on the dial
(6) of the taximeter, or the emission of an alarm signal.

11. (Amended) The process as claimed in claims 9-~~or~~
10, wherein the signaling of the disconnection takes place
alternately with the displaying of the total for the trip.